

## HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

March 12, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Thursday, March 12, 2009 at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin. Chairman Donald Splinter called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M..

Members present besides the Chairman were Mark Stead, Vern Lewison, Eugene Bartels, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Pat Schroeder asked to be excused. Also present was Randy Franks and John Burton.

Eugene Bartels, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved that we are in compliance with the open meeting law. Motion carried.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Eugene Bartels, moved to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried by majority. Mark Stead voted no.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2009 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to pay Vouchers #36 thru #138. Motion carried.

David began the Supervisors Reports. He explained that the Equipment Budget currently has a balance of about \$741,000. (\$508,000. - 2009 budget, \$173,000. - 2008 budget, \$60,000. insurance payment) Anticipated expenditures from the account for 2009 include: (3) patrol trucks, (2) pickups, a hoist for the shop area, sign program and sign making equipment, and an amount set aside for major repairs. This would leave an unused balance of \$152,000.. Discussion followed on leaving the balance in the Equipment Account or placing the balance into the 2009 construction account.

John Burton presented a proposal for an in-house road sign creation system. Due to new State rules, approximately 5000 signs on the County System must be replaced by 2013. The old signs currently being used can be seen at night at 500 feet and have about a 5 year life. The new prismatic reflective signs can be seen at 1000 feet at night and have an expected 10 year life. Compared to purchasing signs from an outside source and fabricating signs in-house, the County stands to save almost \$100,000.. The County is also applying for a grant from 3M that could pay for 30% - 50% of the cost of the first Prismatic Reflective Sheeting ordered.

Mark Stead, seconded by Eugene Bartels, moved to purchase the In-House Road Sign Creation Equipment Package for \$13,412.37. Motion carried.

Donald Splinter, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to purchase a Quick Check hand held Diagnostic Tool for approximately \$1,100.. Motion carried.

A flood reimbursement request from the State Flood Damage Program has been submitted for flood damage repairs to CTH "X". It appears that we will eventually receive \$130,636.80 from this program.

David is still working with the WisDOT regarding the relocation situation on CTH "T".

Vern Lewison, seconded by Mark Stead, moved to approve the Resolution lowering the speed limit on CTH "D" south of Platteville to 45 miles per hour. Motion carried.

The State wants salt bids submitted earlier this year for next seasons salt needs. Letters to the Townships have been sent and will be accepted until March 16th. They will then be sent to the WisDOT.

The CTH "C" bridge has been submitted for funding through the Economic Recovery Program up to the program amount of \$500,000.00.. There is no local match.

Scott Pagenkopf is attending the Hwy 133 preconstruction meeting in the Village of Cassville.

Jack Ellis has accepted the Operator II position. Jack's previous position (Operator I) has been posted internally.

Randy Haney has filed a grievance against the Grant County Highway Department.

Bids were opened for (3) new section patrol trucks and equipment. Joining the Committee for the bid opening were Travis Kramer; Jeannie Morgan; Herman Goth, Dan Shoemaker, and Terry Stampfl from Peterbilt Wisconsin - Madison; Jeff Lutes from Truck Country of Iowa; Jeff Smith from Burke Truck and Equipment; Mark Hermanson from Monroe Truck Equipment; and Kurt Schadewalt from Madison Truck Equipment.

The bids were as follows: Single axle trucks

Lakeside International	2009 International model 7400	\$74,675.00
Peterbilt Wisconsin	2010 Peterbilt model 340	\$74,992.00
Truck Country of Iowa	2010 Freightliner model 2106V	\$71,860.00

	<u>Dump Body</u>	<u>12' Snow Plow</u>	<u>Snow equipment</u> <u>8' right wing</u>	<u>6" spreader</u>	<u>Electrical</u>
Burke	28,520.00	12,120.00	9,200.00	4,350.00	4,020.00
Madison	32,011.00	9,600.00	10,400.00	2,869.00	3,466.00
Monroe	29,674.00	9,608.00	9,147.00	4,044.00	3,684.00

Bids were opened for asphalt and pulverizing for the 2009 season. Joining the Committee for this part of the meeting were Chad Novak from The Kraemer Company and Michael Bentz from Iverson - Mathy Asphalt. The bids were as follows:

Pulverize CTH "X"

Iverson Construction	\$19,532.00
The Kraemer Company	\$16,146.80

Pulverize Quarry Road

Iverson Construction	\$ 2,642.00
The Kraemer Company	\$ 2,184.40

Pulverize Park Lane

Iverson Construction	\$ 1,742.00
The Kraemer Company	\$ 1,440.40

Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement - CTH "A", CTH "U", CTH "X"

Iverson Construction	\$41.27 per ton from Hampton Quarry
Iverson Construction	\$39.91 per ton from Prairie du Chien

Under the Engineering Report, the CTH "D" (Chestnut Street) Bridge project was discussed. Joining the Committee for this portion of the meeting were Mike Jansen and Mark Jobeson from IIW Engineers; Jamie Brandt and Ted Greenheck from Team Engineering; Tom Boguszewski from Aecom; Howard Crofoot from the City of Platteville; Jesse Storck from Fabco; and County Board Chairman John Patcle.

The CTH "D" bridge on South Chestnut Street in Platteville was built in 1931. Discussions have been held between the County, City, and University of Wisconsin Platteville regarding replacement of the bridge farther to the west of its present location and a realignment of the road. If approved under the new Federal Economic Stimulus Program, the cost of the new bridge would be 100% paid for by the Federal Government versus an 80/20 split with local Government as is usual.

A Design Engineering Services Contract was discussed in an amount not to exceed \$194,139.00 unless approved by a written contract amendment. A 50/50 split on the cost between the City and the County was discussed.

Donald Splinter, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to approve a Two-Party Design Engineering Services Contract between Grant County and IIW Engineers & Surveyors, P.C. for CTH "D", Chestnut Street, Business 151, Southwest Road project contingent upon an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Platteville, County of Grant, and the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, said agreement to include jurisdictional transfer of roadway and bridge to the City of Platteville upon completion of project. Motion carried.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Mark Stead, moved to adjourn at 11:45 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark A. Stead, Secretary